



**Task Force Meeting No. 15 Synopsis
November 24, 2008**

Task Force Members Present*:

Vice-Chair David Pandori, Co-Chair Shirley Lewis, Co-Chair Sam Liccardo, Jackie Adams, Teresa Alvarado, Shiloh Ballard, Michele Beasley, Frank Chavez, Judy Chirco, Gary Chronert, Mary Creasman, Yolanda Cruz, Pastor Oscar Dace, Pat Dando, Harvey Darnell, Dave Fadness, Enrique Fernandez, Leslee Hamilton, Sam Ho, Nancy Ianni, Lisa Jensen, Frank Jesse, Matt Kamkar, Charles Lauer, Karl Lee, Linda LeZotte, Pierluigi Oliverio, Dick Santos, Patricia Sausedo, Erik Schoennauer, Judy Stabile, Neil Struthers, Alofa Talivaa, Michael Van Every and Jim Zito.

Task Force Members Absent:

Lisa Jensen, Jennifer Rodriguez, Patricia Sausedo.

City Staff and Other Public Agencies Present*:

Kerry Adams Harper (Cultural Affairs/OED), Roma Dawson (District 3 Council Office), Anthony Drummond (District 2 Council Office), Christina Fernandez (Mayor's Office), Peter Hamilton (District 9 Council Office), John Ristow (VTA), Hans Larsen (DOT), Junko Vroman (ESD), Joseph Horwedel (PBCE), Laurel Prevetti (PBCE), Michael Brilliot (PBCE), John Kim (PBCE), John Baty (PBCE), Edward Schreiner (PBCE), Sylvia Do (PBCE), Rebekah Ross (PBCE), Michelle Stahlhut (PBCE), Jared Hart (PBCE).

*As verified by registering attendance on Sign-In Sheets.

1. Welcome and Review of Agenda

Meeting convened at 6:30 p.m.

2. Review and Approval of October 27, 2008 Meeting Synopsis

The October 27, 2008 synopsis was approved.

3. Review of Agenda and Work Program Status

Michael Brilliot gave an overview of the agenda. The work program status was not discussed.

4. Discussion on the Characteristics of the Building Blocks for Envision San Jose 2040: Hubs, Neighborhood Villages, and Corridors

Michael Brilliot delivered a presentation on Hubs, Neighborhood Villages, and Corridors.

5. Task Force and Public Breakout Discussion Groups – Identification of Hubs, Neighborhood Villages, and Corridors

Task Force members were arranged into five discussion groups for this exercise. The purpose of the interactive discussion was to identify existing Hubs, Neighborhood Villages, and Corridors within the City, and possible locations for future Hubs, Neighborhood Villages, and Corridors.

Staff facilitators scribed key points of the discussion. Public attendees were invited to participate in the exercise at separate stations.

To review the Task Force and Public discussion group input and key ideas, refer to document entitled, "November 24 Task Force Meeting, Discussion Group Notes."

6. Discussion Group Report Back

Each of the five Task Force groups presented a short summary of their key ideas and findings. The three public group reports followed.

Following the discussion group report back, a few comments were made by Task Force members related to the overall process. A Task Force member proposed a future Task Force workshop focused on creating a Neighborhood Village Plan from scratch. The Task Force member thought that the concept of a Neighborhood Village is still nebulous, and that a workshop exercise can help to solidify the elements of a Neighborhood Village.

Task Force Co-Chair Sam Liccardo commented that many old commercial strip centers exist along major streets, such as Santa Teresa Boulevard and Blossom Hill Road. These sites present opportunities for redevelopment and the creation of Neighborhood Villages should target such sites.

7. Next Steps

A Task Force member, referencing a correspondence submitted by Councilmember Nancy Pyle to City staff, inquired when the Task Force would be discussing the South Almaden Valley Urban Reserve. Staff responded that topics related to growth in urban reserves would be discussed at a future Task Force meeting in early 2009.

8. Announcements

Michael Brilliot reminded the Task Force of the last installment of the Great Cities Speaker Series on December 1, 2008, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the San Jose Repertory Theater.

Saturday, February 7, 2008 was announced as a possible daytime Task Force workshop to develop Land Use/Transportation Scenarios.

Measure B (BART extension to Silicon Valley sales tax) and Proposition 1A (California High Speed Rail bond initiative) were both passed by voters.

9. Public Comment

Achieving early successes in creating Neighborhood Villages is important to demonstrate the viability of creating future Villages across the City.

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.